

Patricia Huber Outlines Ideas For School Past

Mrs. Patricia Huber, 29, 5408 Rockview Drive, has the distinction of being the only woman candidate challenging incumbents in the current School Board election to be held April 18.

She has lived in Torrance five years and previous to this in Redondo Beach, and was born in L.A. County. Mrs. Huber has three children, two in school.

The candidate attended schools in Boston and Dallas; graduated from Mark Keppel High School in Alhambra; received her Associate of Arts Degree from El Camino College; attended the University of Redlands, UCLA, and SC in post-graduate work and is currently enrolled in upper division courses at Long Beach State College, where she is majoring in Education and minor in Science.



Mrs. Patricia Huber Throws Bonnet in Ring

ports to be presented for a future meeting; she has been a member of the Seaside School PTA for three years and active in pre-school groups; she belongs to various social groups and her family attends St. Andrews Presbyterian Church.

Security Bank To Open New Branch Friday

Open house festivities, marking the official business opening of Security First National Bank's new 174th and Crenshaw branch, will be held Friday from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m., it was announced today.

The branch — Security's third in the city of Torrance — is located at 17512 S. Crenshaw Blvd.

Newly appointed manager William F. King will host the gala occasion and is extending an invitation to all to come in and get acquainted.

"If you have children," King said, "bring them along too because Flipo the Clown will be there with gifts for the kids."

The day-long celebration will be highlighted by a drawing for door prizes. One \$100 and two \$50 savings accounts, plus four transistor radios, will be given away.

Registration for the prizes will be held throughout the day and the drawing will take place at 8:30 p. m. Winners need not be present. Refreshments will be served all day.

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6. Sponsor improved public relations between the public and the school board by actively working for more open meetings and better publicity about these meetings and the issues on the agenda as well as publishing in the local newspapers a complete annual budget report.

7. Promote better education at a state level through citizens' groups and the school board.

8. Investigate the L.A. system of building schools at the same time new housing tracts are started.

9. Try to fully compensate for any increased costs by cutting non-essentials present in the current budget. Incorporate the policy of utilizing interested and qualified citizens' groups in evaluating fiscal and administrative policies.

10. Promulgate a philosophy of constantly up-grading our educational system to meet the challenges of modern-day life. Insist upon more essentials, less frills: More education for our money!

She suggests achieving this goal through the following means:

1. By setting minimum standards for subject matter taught at each grade level, including kindergarten, over and above the existing ones now set by the state.
2. By adding to the fundamentals now taught at the elementary level, comprehensive classes in grammar, history, geography and science.
3. Insist upon phonics rather than the current sight method as the most effective process in teaching reading.
4. Investigate methods for attracting and retaining superior teachers in the Torrance Unified School District by:
 - a. Re-evaluating the existing tenure system.
 - b. Investigating the possibilities of merit system raises as added incentives for excellent teachers.
 - c. Returning the teacher to the classroom by relieving her as much as possible of her non-teaching duties. Revert to the simpler report cards at the elementary school level while retaining the parent-teacher conferences.
 - d. Assigning teachers at

... Stevens

(Continued from Page 1) ing given to Wade Peebles, who came here from Inglewood 18 months ago to be director of public works after a shake-up in the engineering and public works departments. It has been reported unofficially that Peebles may be the choice of a majority of the council at this point.

Others are known to favor a "let's look around a little" policy.

BEFORE coming to Torrance, Stevens had been chief administrative officer for Culver City for two years, and its chief engineer prior to that. Earlier he was assistant city engineer at Santa Barbara. He was graduated from the University of California as a civil engineer.

During World War II, he served in the U.S. Army for five years as an artillery officer, seeing duty in Europe. He left the service with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

He and Mrs. Stevens have two children, Darlene, a junior at Torrance High School, and Billy, who is 8.

TORRANCE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

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MCKIM—Mr. and Mrs. William L. 1700 Cranbrook Ave., a son, Bradley Scott, March 11.
WILLIAMS—Mr. and Mrs. M. Bruce J. 2644 Ventura Ave., a son, Charles Wesley, March 12.
WINCHELL—Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. 1218 Doby Ave., a son, Mark Robert, March 12.
TODD—Mr. and Mrs. Jack D. 1508 Hickory Ave., a son, Mark Duane, March 12.
WICKMAN—Mr. and Mrs. John Robert 1222 Plumb Del Amo, a son, Richard Allen, March 12.

... West High

(Continued from Page 1) a 40-acre site surrounded by Del Amo Blvd., Victor, Spencer, and Henrietta Sts. First unit of construction will include a library building, which also will double as administration quarters; a classroom wing to accommodate 1000 students; and industrial arts unit which also will house a kitchen and temporary shower and locker facilities for athletics.

The school will be Torrance's fourth high school, serving the west Torrance area. It is located in the Victor tract, where large new subdivisions currently are being built. A planning committee, including the architect and school officials, studied schools and designs from all parts of the country before plans were drawn.

The completed school will cost an estimated \$4½ million.

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